

# WILL GET WARRANTS AGAINST COMPANIES

City Attorney Massie Proposes to Compel Payment of License Taxes.

OTHER CITIES SEEM TO BE TAKING NO ACTION

Newport News Will be First to Test New Interpretation of New Law By Light and Water Companies— Comes Up in Police Court for Hearing First.

Warrants charging the Newport News Light & Water Company, the Citizens' Railway, Light and Power Company and the Newport News Gas Company with failure to pay the license tax imposed on them by the city council for the present fiscal year will be sworn out by City Attorney J. A. Massie within the next few days.

This action will be taken for the purpose of testing in the courts the legality of the claim of these companies that the act of the last legislature placing all water, light and gas corporations under the jurisdiction of the State Corporation Commission relieves them from paying a municipal license tax.

In Police Court. The case will first be tried in the police court and will go to the Corporation Court and then probably will go to the Corporation Court.

According to advices received here, every light, water and gas corporation in the State affected by the new act of the legislature has refused to pay the license tax. It was thought that possibly some other city in the State would test the legality of the claim of the corporations of immunity from city license taxes, but thus far none has acted. City Attorney Massie said last night that he had decided to swear out the necessary warrants, probably today, and have the matter settled in the courts.

The total amount of the license tax assessed against the three local companies by the council this year was approximately \$3,500. Of this amount, \$1,000 was assessed against the water company; about \$1,000 against the gas company and the remaining \$1,500 against the Citizens' Railway Light & Power Company.

Notified Commissioner. Early in May Commissioner of the Revenue Bernard W. Crump was notified by the electric light and gas company officials that those companies would not pay the tax because they believed the new State law made them immune from municipal license taxes. Later the officials of the Newport News Light & Water Company advised Commissioner Crump to the same effect.

City Attorney Massie was notified and after examining the new statute, he stated that he did not think the companies were exempt from the payment of the license taxes. Counsel for the companies differed from him, however, and it was decided to wait a while to see if some other city in Virginia would not test the claim.

Attorney R. G. Bickford will represent the water company in this fight and Attorney E. M. Braxton and S. Gordon Cumming will represent the electric light and gas companies. City Attorney Massie will fight the case alone.

## FUNERAL SERVICES HELD.

Frank E. Sears Laid to Rest at Greenlawn.

The funeral of Frank E. Sears took place yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the home on Venable avenue, Riverview, the local lodge of Elks, of which Mr. Sears was a member, having charge of the services. The lodge attended in a body, going to Riverview on a special car. A quartette of the Hampton Roads Glee Club sang several selections during the services. Interment was made in Greenlawn cemetery.

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## SOCIAL-PERSONAL.

Mr. Maurice Spector, who has been visiting Mrs. M. Kaas, 329 Twenty-seventh street, has returned to his home in New Freedom, Pa. Mrs. Spector will remain here with Mrs. Kaas for several weeks.

Madames O. D. Batchelor and J. L. Patton returned yesterday from Atlantic City, N. J., where they spent ten days.

Miss Dora Proctor is spending the summer with relatives in St. Louis, Kansas City and other western cities.

Misses Beale and Vera Harwood, who have been visiting relatives in Cape Charles, will return home tomorrow.

Messrs. Ottlinger and Chandler, who are attending the Boston School of Technology, are spending the summer in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Harg are entertaining a house party this week at their home on the Boulevard. Their guests are: Mrs. Joseph Spransy and Miss Spransy, Miss Kathryn Powell, Miss Ella Kurtz and Mr. William Gauer, of Washington, D. C.

Mrs. R. H. Ware, Mrs. F. O. Goodwin and Miss Ethel Kemp are spending the summer in Bedford county.

Miss Rose Eddins, who has been visiting in New Bern, N. C., has returned home.

Miss Louise Traylor, of Lynchburg, will arrive here today to visit Mrs. Myra Wilson, on Twenty-sixth street.

Miss Frances Davis and niece, Frances Charlotte Moore, have gone to Whitfield, Va., where Miss Davis will visit her sister, Mrs. J. T. Moore.

Mrs. E. E. Hicks and children are visiting relatives in James City county.

Miss Thelma Merritt, who has been visiting relatives in Roanoke and Radford, has returned home.

Miss Helen Payne and Mary Williams are spending the summer with relatives in the Valley of Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Lofland are entertaining a number of friends at a house party at Buckroe Beach. Among the guests are: Misses Dorothy Gauntlett, of Washington, D. C., Winifred Seay and Corine Butt, of this city and Mr. Ewing Lofland, of Oklahoma, Oklahoma. A number of other guests will arrive Sunday from New York and other cities.

Miss Corine Butt has returned from a visit to relatives near Lynchburg.

## CASHIER AND CASH HAVE DISAPPEARED

Clintwood, Va., Bank Officers Find Note Saying, "Gone to Tall Timbers" in Vault.

## REWARD OFFERED FOR WALTER C. D. SUTHERLAND

Fugitive Set Time-lock For Ninety-six Hours Before Starting—Fifteen Thousand in Cash and Seven Thousand Dollars in Unsigned Certificates Missing.

(By Associated Press) CLINTWOOD, VA., July 7.—Cash to the amount of \$15,000 and \$7,000 worth of unsigned treasury certificates have disappeared from the vaults of the Citizens' National Bank of this place, and a reward of \$1,000 has been offered by the officers of the institution for the arrest of Walter C. D. Sutherland, cashier of the bank, who has not been seen here since Saturday night.

Sutherland hired a horse Saturday night and told his friends, it is alleged, that he was going to ride to Stratton to spend the Fourth with relatives.

No Trace of Sutherland. When he did not appear at the bank Tuesday morning, inquiry by the officials developed the fact, it is said, that the young man had not visited Stratton. No trace has yet been found of Sutherland or of the horse he rode.

It was not until late yesterday that the bank vault, whose time lock had been set for 96 hours, could be opened. Then the officials discovered the loss. In the vault they found a note saying:

"Gone to the Tall Timbers." "Gone to the tall timbers." The name of the missing cashier, it is said, was signed to it.

Sutherland, who is 34 years old, was at one time connected with the army engineer corps in the Philippines.

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## TALKS ON IMMIGRANTS

Lieut. Boe Meets Chamber of Commerce Directors.

## PLEASED WITH VIRGINIA

Norwegian Government Representative Thinks South Fine Place for His People—Secretary Quarles, of Southern Commercial Congress.

Lieutenant Boe, of the Norwegian navy, who arrived here Wednesday aboard the steamer Norge, made an interesting talk before the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon, a special meeting of the board being held for the purpose of meeting the officer.

The lieutenant said that he recently returned home after spending six months in Canada and the northwestern part of the United States in connection with plans for the immigration of his countrymen. He was sent to Virginia for the particular purpose of conferring with State Immigration Commissioner Kolner. It seems that the Norwegian government pays especial attention to the immigration of its people, desiring to have them locate in countries in which they will be given good government and a chance to make a living. The government keeps a watch upon each immigrant for about five years, and it is said that only the honest and industrious are allowed to leave.

Lieutenant Boe said that the ultimate object of every Norwegian immigrant is to own a small farm. About ten thousand of his people come to this country and Canada every year, but heretofore very few have landed in the South. He is convinced that the climate here, making it possible to work out of doors all the year round, makes the south the most desirable of all places.

At the request of the directors the lieutenant will go to Norge, the Norwegian colony near Williamsburg, today. Then he will continue on to Richmond for his conference with Mr. Kolner.

Mr. Quarles Here. Edwin R. Quarles, secretary of the Southern Commercial Congress, made an interesting and encouraging talk to the directors. Mr. Quarles, who is well known here, having addressed the chamber while he was secretary of the Petersburg Chamber of Commerce, will remain over to speak to the members of the chamber at the regular meeting tonight.

Would Petition C. & O. Percy Poarch asked the directors to take up with the Chesapeake & Ohio railway the matter of allowing raft logs to be loaded here. Mr. Poarch said that for four years the Chesapeake & Ohio had prohibited the loading of raft logs at its piers, and for that reason he and other Newport News dealers were forced to take their rafts of logs by Newport News and on to Pinner's Point for loading. The matter was referred to the committee on transportation and traffic.

Various matters of importance are on the calendar for tonight's meeting of the chamber, and a large attendance is expected.

## MISS FLORENCE JONES WEDS JAMES BINFORD

Marriage in Richmond Comes as Surprise to Relatives and Friends of Young Lady.

Miss Florence Sheldon Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sheldon Jones, 135 Twenty-eighth street, and Mr. James Doran Binford, formerly of this city, but now of Richmond, were married at 12:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the Grace Street Presbyterian church, Richmond, the pastor, Rev. Clay Lilly, D. D., performing the ceremony in the presence of a few friends and relatives.

Although Mr. Binford secured the marriage license from Deputy Clerk of Courts Marable here late Wednesday night, the marriage came as a surprise to the relatives and friends of the young lady. Miss Jones left for Richmond at 10:05 o'clock yesterday morning ostensibly for a visit of ten days with Miss Virginia Binford, sister of the groom. Mr. Binford came here Wednesday and arrangements for the marriage were made by the young people at the home of Mrs. Edwin R. Vaughan, a lifelong friend of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan accompanied Miss Jones to Richmond yesterday morning and were present at the wedding.

Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Binford left for a wedding tour through Canada. They will arrive here in about two weeks to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allan D. Jones, on Twenty-sixth street, before going to Richmond to make their home.

Miss Jones has lived in this city a number of years and is popular with a host of friends. She is a graduate of the local high school. Mr. Binford formerly lived here, being employed by the Chesapeake & Ohio railway, but he moved to Richmond several years ago and has since been traveling in Southwest Virginia for a soda company of Richmond. He and Miss Jones had been engaged for several years.

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## MAYOR ASKS CITY ATTORNEY FOR OPINION

Col. Jones Desires to Know Whether He Has Power to Bar Fight Pictures.

Mayor Maryus Jones yesterday asked City Attorney Massie for an opinion as to whether or not the mayor has the power to prohibit the exhibition of the pictures of the Johnson-Jeffries prize fight in Newport News. The city attorney is now looking up the law on the matter and probably will render his decision early next week. If he decides that the mayor can stop the showing of the pictures, Col. Jones will immediately direct Chief of Police Mitchell to take such steps as may be necessary to prevent the pictures being put on here.

Manager Bell, of the Bell theater, and Manager Butt, of the Academy moving picture show, announced yesterday that they had no idea of showing the fight pictures at their houses and that so far as they are concerned there is no occasion for the mayor to issue any orders to bar the pictures from Newport News.

As there is another moving picture place operating here, Mayor Jones will continue his investigation and, if he has the power to do so, issue the necessary order to keep the pictures out of the city.

## LOCAL ELKS START ON JOURNEY TO DETROIT

Many to Attend Annual Grand Lodge Meeting in Home of Champion Tigers.

Past Exalted Ruler John R. Morton, Sol Peyser, Elias Peyser, Jack Crowley, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fraley, Captain John Crowley, Henry Sturt, Albert Morris and Walter Smith, of the local lodge of Elks, left yesterday for Detroit, Michigan, to attend the annual convention of the Grand Lodge in that city. Saturday Past Exalted Ruler J. D. G. Brown, Frank Roth, Charles Harper, Abe Horwitz, W. A. Crump, W. H. L. Kent, J. D. Bohlken and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Byrum and others will leave for Detroit over the Chesapeake & Ohio.

Walter Smith won the first trip to the convention given in the contest conducted by Elias Peyser.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Dear Frank, our comrade, now dead, and gone, has left us each to follow. We will miss you, Frank, in every way, as days pass by in sorrow. And yet we know you are resting low, while our hearts break with grief. Still, if we would stop and think of life, of which we simply borrow, then why should we feel sad to see our Master's said back borrow? S. H. B. LIPSCOMB.

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